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Irish Potatoes



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Quick Facts

- ❖ At 3,255,000 hundredweight, North Carolina ranks 17th nationally in the production Irish potatoes.
- The highest yield set for North Carolina potatoes was in 2006 at 210 hundredweight of Irish potatoes harvested per acre.
- In 2006, North Carolina produced .7% of all Irish potatoes harvested in the United States.



Top 5 Counties by Production

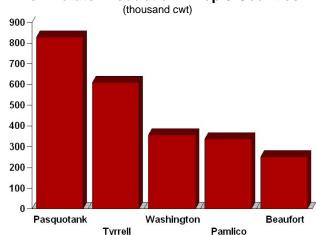
Leading Counties ¹	Hundredweight
Pasquotank	830,000
Tyrrell	609,500
Washington	357,000
Pamlico	338,000
Beaufort	252,000

¹Ranking of Published Counties Only

Irish Potatoes Planted, Harvested, Yield and Production

Year	Planted	Harvested	Yield	Production
	(thousand acres)	(thousand acres)	(cwt)	(thousand cwt)
1997	18.7	18.5	184	3,407
1998	19.1	18.6	184	3,430
1999	18.0	17.5	195	3,410
2000	17.5	17.0	200	3,400
2001	19.5	18.5	190	3,515
2002	19.5	19.0	170	3,230
2003	19.0	17.0	175	2,975
2004	17.0	13.5	200	2,700
2005	15.5	15.0	190	2,850
2006	17.7	15.5	210	3,255

Irish Potato Production - Top 5 Counties



Irish Potatoes Acres Planted & Harvested

(thousand acres)

